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IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.**

WEDNESDAY MORNING.—DEC. 10, 1873.

**THE VICE PRESIDENT PRO TEM-
PORE.**

The Republican members of the Senate, in caucus yesterday, with deserved unanimity, selected Senator Matt Carpenter to be President pro tem, of that body during the absence of Vice President Wilson. As an answer to the calumnies of certain journals of the country and the shadings regarding his character, this endorsement of Mr. Carpenter by his colleagues and associates is significant. No one has, during the controversy regarding the unpleasant subject, seemed to detract from the acknowledged greatness of his ability, but, suffering as he has from unmerited detection, this renewed assurance of confidence in his character as a gentleman and honest as a man is gratifying indeed. We congratulate the Senate that it has acted so wisely. Mr. Wilson will probably vacate the chair this morning.

BACK PAY IN THE HOUSE.

The back pay-salary compensation bill got fairly before the House yesterday, and, as will be seen, was what is called "debased" in the usual House style.

A good deal of work was done by the committee who set out to fool the American people with the pretense of a "free breakfast table."

One day last week the House voted a sum of money to the Order of Patrons of Husbandry amounting to \$62,825. Total number of granges, 9,048.

The National Grangers seem to be prospering famously. The report of Secretary Kelley, for the first week in December, shows the organization of two hundred and sixty-nine new granges, and an aggregate membership of 10,000. The Order of Patrons of Husbandry amounting to \$62,825. Total number of granges, 9,048.

The St. Louis *Democrat* quotes a paragraph from the *Chronicle* of this city, on the opening of Congress, which it terms "fiasco" and their perfidy adds: "The people expect to see a wholesale degree of conflict in the Congressional arena this winter. The Republican party has an opportunity for thoroughly re-establishing itself in the public confidence, which it has lost through the course pursued last session, and it can accomplish this by vigorous measures to be pushed in the interest of the public. There must be war against all sorts of robbery and fraud. Peace and concord in Congress must plumb."

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AMUSEMENTS.

JEFFERSON AT FORGES.

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GEORGETOWN.—PERSONS DESIRING TO GET IN TOUCH WITH THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN CAN HAVE IT DILIGENTLY RECORDED IN THE DIRECTORY OF THE REPUBLICAN, 120 Pennsylvania Avenue, between Ninth and Fourteenth Streets, Washington, D. C.

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